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7 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

9 KEVIN LIONELL PRITCHETTE,

10 Petitioner,

No. 2: 12-cv-1719 CKD P

11 vs.

12 CONNIE GIPSON,

13 Respondent.

ORDER

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15 Petitioner, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has filed an application for a writ of
16 habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. To date, petitioner has neither paid the filing fee
17 nor filed an application to proceed in forma pauperis. The petition for writ of habeas corpus
18 attacks a conviction issued by the Superior Court of Los Angeles County. While both this court
19 and the United States District Court in the district where petitioner was convicted have
20 jurisdiction, see Braden v. 30th Judicial Circuit Court, 410 U.S. 484 (1973), any and all
21 witnesses and evidence necessary for the resolution of petitioner's application are more readily
22 available in Los Angeles County. See id. at 499 n.15; see also 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d).

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1 Accordingly, in the furtherance of justice, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this
2 matter is transferred to the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

3 Dated: July 25, 2012

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5 CAROLYN K. DELANEY
6 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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